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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT----PARA 2)

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR, BL

SUBJ: COORDINATION OF CCINC TRAINING PROGRAMS

REF: STATE 7471

1. EMBASSY HAS NOT EXPERIENCED ANY DIFFICULTY OF THE TYPE MENTIONED IN REFTTEL CONCERNING LACK OF COORDINATION BETWEEN DEA AND CUSTOMS IN THEIR CONTACTS WITH FOREIGN OFFICIALS. THE ONLY MINOR PROBLEM THAT THIS EMBASSY RECALLS WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN AVOIDED BY BETTER COORDINATION BETWEEN US CUSTOMS AND THIS EMBASSY INVOLVED THE DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON BETWEEN US CUSTOMS AND THE DIRECTOR OF BOLIVIAN CUSTOMS WHO HAD BEEN INVITED TO THE US ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT. DURING THAT MEETING US CUSTOMS EVIDENTLY MADE A PITCH TO THE VISITOR TO ACCEPT THE SERVICES OF A CUSTOMS ADVISOR AND PROMISED THE BOLIVIANHCUSTOMS DIRECTOR A FAIRLY SUBSTANTIAL LIST OF GOODIES.

2. FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS, THE EMBASSY DOES NOT WISH THE ASSIGNMENT TO BOLIVIA OF A US CUSTOMS ADVISOR. THIS DECISION HAD BEEN THE MATTER OF CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE AMBASSADOR AND THE DIRECTOR OF US CUSTOMS A FEW MONTHS BEFORE, AND HAD BEEN COVERED AGAIN WITH SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES OF A VISITING CUSTOMSO TRAINING TEAM. THE EMBASSY MANAGED TO DISABUSE THE BOLIVIAN  
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CUSTOMS DIRECTOR OF SOME OF THE EXPECTATIONS THAT HAD BEEN

AROUSED BY HIS VISIT TO THE US, BUT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER IF  
THE WHOLE SCENE COULD HAVE BEEN AVOIDED THROUGH ADDITIONAL PRIOR  
CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN US CUSTOMS AND THE EMBASSY.

3. OUR ONLY SUGGESTIONS, THEREFORE, WOULD BE THAT BOTH DEA AND  
US CUSTOMS SHOULD CONSULT WITH THE EMBASSY PRIOR TO ANY ACTIVITY  
INVOLVING THEIR COUNTERPART AGENCIES IN BOLIVIA.  
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